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EVENT AND COMMENT.

William McAnish, while under the influence of drink, was run over and horribly mangled by a freight train, last Wednesday, near Knoxville.

A new Readjuster daily paper is to be started in Norfolk about the 1st of January.

One thousand is the number of victims at the burning of the Ring Theatre at Vienna, on the night of the 8th inst. They were buried in one common grave.

The funeral of Engineer Dan C. Gully, took place from Broad St. Church, Knoxville, on the 10th. The ceremony at the grave was performed by the Old Fellows, of which he was a member. The Tribuna says the crowd in attendance was the largest ever witnessed in Knoxville.

Col. Jno. W. Forney of the Philadelphia Press is dead. He was one of the brightest and most conspicuous figures in American Journalism. During the next year he had expected to visit Bristol and Stone Gap. We regret that instead of greeting him in the News office, we shall have to turn a black rail over his bright name and look forward to a meeting on loftier altitudes than the hills of S. W. Va.

The thanks of the News are due Gov. F. W. M. Holliday, for a copy of his late message in pamphlet form.

St. Jacob's Calendar.—We have received from the enterprising firm of Vogler, Meyer & Co., Baltimore, a copy of the above calendar for 1882. It is gotten up in a very neat and unique style.

We have received a copy of the Report of the Second Auditor of Va. for the year ending Sept. 30, 1881.

We are exceedingly sorry to find the following in the Richmond Dispatch of the 11th inst. We have often heard the name of this young colored man spoken of in the most creditable and honorable connection:

"Rev. H. B. Mason, pastor of the colored Baptist Church at Emory, Washington county, Va., died at the Richmond Institute on the 10th inst. of typhoid fever. He was a young man of fine promise, and his early removal by death will be a great loss to the colored churches in Southwestern Virginia."

The Finest Yet.

The Nashville Banner of the 8th, after paying a handsome compliment to the great enterprise of Chas. Thurman & Co., Clothiers, of that city, says:

"During the rounds of a representative of this paper to-day 'a thing of beauty' drew his attention, which was displayed in the front of the establishment of Thurman & Co., of which the above-named representative is a member. He was a young man of fine promise, and his early removal by death will be a great loss to the colored churches in Southwestern Virginia."

Orange Blossoms.

Married at Johnson City, Tenn., Dec. 17th, 1881, at 7 1/2 o'clock, P. M. Mr. R. J. Clark to Miss Lelia Gentry, Rev. J. I. Cash officiating. The bride wore an elegant dress of white silk, trimmed with Spanish lace, made with orange blossoms and a wreath of white roses. She wore a veil of lace with tulle. Noted for her beauty, she never looked more lovely. Mr. Clark was in fine dress, and made a most handsome groom. It has never been my good fortune to recall a handsomer couple, and the occasion was one for which all concerned are to be congratulated. Mr. R. J. Clark and Miss Lelia Gentry were attended by Mr. Henry King and Mr. Ike Harr, ushers, and all were looking their best. "And did they say well." The ceremony by Mr. Clark was one of the most impressive I have ever heard of. The church was crowded with the beauty and brilliancy of the city. After the ceremony a large number of guests repaired to Mrs. Gentry's residence, where a most elegant supper awaited them. Great tables were shown in the arrangement of the table, it being decorated with evergreen and flowers. After supper the company were entertained by Mr. Clark and his bride, when they took the eastern bound train for New York and Boston, the latter city being Mr. Clark's home. The best wishes of many friends follow the happy couple. Of Lelia (that was) we need not speak. She was a favorite among a large circle. She has the rare characteristics that renders her so popular with her own sex as with the sterner. Frank to a fault, attractive, accomplished, and a great popularity seldom equaled by any young lady. This is enough to say of him. They received a large number of nice presents. May the bonds rest lightly on these two, and as they go together down the way of life, may they walk through shady groves, meet many friends at each turn of the way, and be sheltered from the ills of life by the Divine Protector, and may His hand lead them always.

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BRISTOL, VIRGINIA & TENNESSEE, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1881.

President's Message.

The first annual message of President Arthur begins with an appropriate and feeling allusion to the calamity sustained by the country in the tragic death of his predecessor, and to the touching manifestations of sympathy and good-will which the sad occasion elicited from all the nations of the earth, and especially from the people and sovereign of Great Britain. Brief mention is made of the present state of diplomatic relations and intercourse with each of the foreign governments of the world, as well as of participation of our own country in various international congresses and conferences. An epitomized statement is furnished, taken from the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, of the condition of the national finances and revenues. The first important recommendation of the message is in view of the large surplus income of the government, and the prospective of population and the reduction of the public debt and its burden of interest. In view of the heavy load of taxation which our people have borne so long the President concurs with the Secretary of the Treasury in recommending the abolition of all internal revenue taxes except those upon tobacco in its various forms and upon distilled spirits and fermented liquors, and the special tax upon manufacturers and dealers in those articles. Any present reduction in the tax upon liquors and tobacco is deemed premature in view of the drain upon the treasury which must attend the payment of arrears on pensions. In reference to this latter subject the President elsewhere gives some data in regard to the enormous amount of work imposed upon the pension bureau, and suggests, as a measure of justice as well as economy, such an increase of the clerical force of the bureau as will expedite the settlement of claims already too long delayed.

The retirement of the outstanding "silver certificates" is recommended, and the repeal of the law authorizing their issue, also the repeal of the law requiring the coining of a fixed amount of silver bullion per month. Under the law 102,000,000 of silver dollars have been coined, while only 34,000,000 are in circulation. Otherwise the President suggests no interference with the currency, and no present need of additional legislation respecting the refunding of the public debt.

The need of tariff revision is referred to, and the suggestion of a commission for the purpose favored.

Gen. Sherman's recommendation in favor of increasing the army to 30,000 men is approved, and a "thorough rehabilitation of the navy" urged upon "every consideration of national safety, economy and honor."

The President refers to the prosecution of the "star-route frauds," and his desire that it should be vigorously pressed for the conviction of the guilty.

The necessity for some modification of the judicial system of the United States, in view of the great increase in the volume of business in the Federal Courts, and especially for the relief of the Supreme Court, which is overburdened with cases, is recognized and urged upon the attention of Congress.

Indian affairs are treated at some length, and the President's recommendation in relation thereto summed up under three heads: First, the passage of an act extending over the Indians and Indian reservations the protection and authority of the courts and laws; second, the allotment to such Indians as may desire it of land in severalty, to be secured to them by patent and made alienable for 20 or 25 years; third, liberal appropriation for the support of Indian schools.

Additional legislation with a view to breaking up the revolting practice of polygamy in Utah is strongly recommended.

The largest space devoted to any one topic in the message is that given to the subject of civil service reform. The President professes not to have to say upon this subject by quoting from and reaffirming certain passages in his letter of acceptance of the nomination of the English civil service system explained.

While endorsing the resolution to second any motion of reform, which Congress may adopt, the President points out some of the practical difficulties which many advocates of reform have been in the habit of overlooking or making light of, and shows the necessity of proceeding with caution and deliberation. The whole discussion of the subject in the message is intelligent and discriminating, and will be read with interest by the public. The entire document is sensible and business-like in its statements and suggestions, dignified in tone, and written in simple direct English. It is entirely free from any flavor of "starvation," or partisanship of any kind, and, in short, every way worthy the high office which Mr. Arthur has been unexpectedly and suddenly called upon to fill.—Baltimore Sun.

Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets" are sugar-coated and inclosed in glass bottles, their virtues being thereby preserved unimpaired for any length of time. In any climate, so that they are always fresh and reliable. No cheap wools or pasteboard boxes. By druggists.

First Impressions.

OF THE NEW GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

The flags flying from the Capitol, fore and aft, the lobbyists and statesmen leaning against pillars and post, and the unwonted activity in every direction and about the Capitol yesterday morning, advertised the fact that the General Assembly was about to meet. Inside the building there was the odor of cigars, of fresh paint and varnish, the sight of frescoing of great designs, of carvings of the color of bright leaf tobacco, and groups of men laughing and talking good-humoredly. Other members were banking up the stationery supplied them under the law, and which is sufficient to make a Thomas Jefferson of each and every one, only provided he has the necessary brains to direct pen and pencil over the foolscap furnished.

OBSERVATIONS.

The prevalence of new suits of clothes was noticeable. The Readjusters wearing such excuses themselves on the ground that they had worn them on the late election. Several members with new shoes on were observed on the gravel walks pacing up and down trying to get the stiff leather comfortably adjusted to their corns before the houses were called to order. The floor of the lobby has been recently painted a dark color, and has already become so soiled as to leave in doubt whether it is an improvement at all.

THE SENATE AND MR. RIDDLBERGER.

General Jim Walker, honest, bluff, and healthy-looking, opened the Senate without any ceremonies whatever. He just rapped the gavel on the table, called the members to order, and proceeded to business. The most interesting question seemed to be in Mr. Riddlberger. He was not in his seat. He did not answer the first roll-call. It began to be supposed that he would not appear, and would for the present thereby admit that there is some truth in the rumor of a duel said to have taken place between Mr. George D. Wise and himself.

But while speculation was rife Mr. Riddlberger appeared and began voting for the officers as the roll was called. No person came forward to challenge his vote. Likewise nobody challenged Mr. Lybrook, who is said to be ineligible from other causes.

A CLOSE VOTE.

The Senate elected the caucus nominees, received the Governor's message, and then adjourned. At one time the interest in the House proceedings was such that ten Readjuster senators were over there. Just then the vote for President Arthur of the Senate was taken and resulted: For Eliot (Democrat), 14—the closeness of which rather scared some of the brethren. Not commenting on this case now, it may be projected as a general remark that new members are always to be found in their seats. It is only the experienced statesman that neglects his clock, and has the question restated for his benefit.

MR. SPEAKER.

Mr. Fowler began himself quite modestly in his office of Speaker, and will do well after he thoroughly familiarizes himself with the routine. Of course he is a little "green" as yet. It is true that he was a member of the House for several terms, but that doesn't make a man a Speaker. One might be there twenty terms and then not be necessarily qualified. Mr. Fowler, however, will take pride in his office, and will soon read up. Mr. Fowler is a newspaper man; so is Governor Cameron; so Mr. Riddlberger, who seems bound for the Senate.

HOW THEY LOOK.

As for the members generally they make a more presentable appearance than did those of 1879-'80. In that Assembly there were a great many who looked as if they had come to Richmond on a sudden summons—as if, indeed, they had been hurried out of bed, dressed in the dark, and dispatched to the Capitol.

BY CENTRA.

It is understood that the House standing committee will be appointed today, and that the hearing of the Rockbridge contested election case will be immediately commenced before the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Poverty and Distress.

That poverty which produces the greatest distress is not of the purse but of the blood. Deprived of its richness it becomes scant and watery, a condition termed anemia in medical writings. Given this condition, and scrofulous swellings and sores, general and nervous debility, loss of flesh and appetite, weak lungs, throat disease, spitting of blood and consumption, are among the common results. If you are a sufferer from thin, poor blood employ Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," which enriches the blood and cures these grave affections. It is more nutritive than cod liver oil, and is harmless in any condition of the system, yet powerful to cure. By druggists.

Transactions in Spottsylvania Gold Mines.

A party of Northern and Western capitalists inspected the Whitehall gold mine in Spottsylvania county on Friday last, with a view to purchase. The following gentlemen, well known for their extensive mining operations, composed the party:

Hon. C. P. Berrey, California; Hon. J. D. Morrow, California; J. H. J. Caldwell, Colorado; Frank Hume, Washington; D. C. R. L. Bacon, New Mexico; W. M. Butler, New York City, and H. B. Clifford, Arizona.

The result of their inspection is not yet accurately known, the whole party having returned North Friday night. The Frederickburg News of Monday, however, reports a rumor that they have purchased the mine for \$125,000.

Gold was first discovered in the Whitehall mine in 1869. The mine was worked by Commodore Stockton from 1848 until just before the war. It has since been owned by Gilbert H. Fox, of Pennsylvania. Nearly two million dollars worth of gold has been taken from the mine.

Messrs. Wm. A. Little and A. W. Wallace, commissioners, have recently sold the Randolph gold mine, adjoining the Whitehall, to the Quaker Mining Company, of Washington city, Col. Kirk, agent, for \$17,000.

State Local-Option Convention.

A call for a State Local-Option Convention to be held in Charlottesville, Tuesday, December 20th, at 3 o'clock P. M., has been issued by Charles H. Ryland, President, and William W. Smith, secretary. They say: "In issuing this call we do not act as the representative of any specific temperance organization, or of any church or party, but as the spokesmen of the citizens of our State of all societies, creeds, and parties, or of none, who would believe that the licensed traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage is a source of great evil in their communities and in the State, and that at least the power to protect itself from this injury should be lodged in the hands of each community."

They also say that the call is issued "in accordance with the request of several thousand citizens, including men of influence in almost every county of the State."

It is heartily endorsed by the following gentlemen: William W. Smith, ex-Governor of Virginia; Thomas A. Michle, J. E. Massey, John L. Cochran, Charles S. Venable, C. E. Vawter, C. J. Harris, J. D. Dreher, John L. Buchanan, Charles Morris, W. W. Ballard, Richard Irbey, W. W. Bennett, T. G. Dashiell, W. W. Berry, W. J. Best, W. S. Christian, G. W. Hawchurst, W. H. C. Long, W. J. Kidd, R. W. Nelson, G. W. Williams, J. D. Bucher, A. B. Dunaway, Robert Beverly, William E. Baker, J. C. Armstrong, and many others.

Any friend of local option is free to come, and will be welcome. Arrangements have been made with railroad and steamboat companies generally for greatly reduced rates to all who attend, and all possible arrangements will be made at Charlottesville to lessen expenses of visitors.

HAYESVILLE, Ohio, Feb. 11, 1880.

I am very glad to say I have tried Hop Bitters, and never took anything that did me as much good. I only took two bottles and I would not take \$100 for the good they did me. I recommend them to my patients, and get the best results from their use.

C. B. MERCER, M. D.

Chili and Peru.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The Times in its leading article this morning on the relations of the United States with Chili and Peru, continues as follows:

It is satisfactory that Harbort's eccentricities have been removed by the State Department, and we cannot doubt that America is sincere in her desire to reconcile the victors and vanquished. The appearance of dictation and partisanship may be explained by the influence of the instruments chosen by the Secretary of State. It is not likely that England, or any European state, will be tempted to meddle in the affairs of South America, but such intervention might be necessary if European interests should be affected. It must not be imagined that the European powers can acquiesce in a very wide extension of the Monroe doctrine, implied in Secretary Blaine's dispatches. Intervention for the protection of European interests is as rightfully claimed by the powers as it is by the United States for the protection of their interests in China and Japan.

Emory Storrs on Guiteau.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Emory Storrs, who returned to Chicago from Washington yesterday, thinks Guiteau's course and the general drift of evidence will be sufficient to convince the jury that he knows the difference between right and wrong, and that at the time he shot the President he was not acting from any impulse. As to Judge Cox's conduct in the trial, Storrs thinks the Judge has determined to give the prisoner the largest latitude, so that there could be no error in the record of the proceedings.

As a tonic and nerve for debilitated women nothing surpasses Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription." By druggists.

Wholesome Advice.

Children, heads up, shoulders back, toes out every time if you wish to have good figures and be graceful walkers. Learn while you are children to be graceful, careful and economical in all your efforts, that you may really find true happiness for yourself and others. If you learn while you are a little child never to upset things at table—if you learn to think of the effect of what you are going to say before you say it—if you learn to prevent stubbing your toes or running into things, when you are grown you will not be annoying every one with whom you are associated. No matter how highly educated a gentleman may be in books, if he was not in childhood taught to prevent his body from unnecessary knocks, and to avoid upsetting his tea, coffee or water at the table, he will ever be in whatever position in after life, disagreeable and awkward.—Little Gem.

The season's entertainments have been notably free from annoyance by coughing. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup does this. Price 25 cents a bottle.

How to Treat the Latest Epidemic.

The epidemic which has broken out among bank cashiers attracts a great deal of attention. The effect of the disease is to make the cashier lose all power to distinguish what belongs to him and what to the depositors of the bank. No system of treatment as has yet been definitely shown to be the best, but in the most prominent cases the following methods have been adopted:

1. Nework treatment, homoeopathic.—Take the cashier to court, have him give bail, and then send him back to the bank to straighten out his accounts. By going over the figures again he will be convinced he did wrong, and will agree never to do so any more. Cure guaranteed, but the attack may occur again.

2. Kansas treatment; electric; a little herole. Take the cashier and tell him you want your money. If you don't get it, take a long rope with a noose at one end. Then, holding the cashier's nose, insert his head in the noose. Pass the other end of the rope over the limb of a tree; then pull on that and until the distance from the point of the rope touching the tree to the toe of the cashier's boot is less than the distance from the limb of tree to the ground. Continue this treatment for several minutes. Cure guaranteed. Attacks never occur again.

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